# IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS TYLER DIVISION

ADJUSTACAM LLC  Plaintiff	
v.	Case No. 6:10-cv-329-LED
AMAZON.COM, INC., et al.,  Defendants	JURY

# DEFENDANTS BEST BUY CO., INC., BEST BUY STORES, L.P., AND BESTBUY.COM, LLC'S ANSWER TO PLAINTIFF'S THIRD AMENDED COMPLAINT FOR PATENT INFRINGEMENT

Defendants Best Buy Co., Inc., Best Buy Stores, L.P., and BestBuy.com, LLC (collectively, "Best Buy") hereby file their Answer to the Third Amended Complaint for Patent Infringement ("Complaint"), filed by AdjustaCam LLC ("Plaintiff") in the above-captioned matter, and state as follows:

#### **ANSWER**

#### **Parties**

- 1. Best Buy lacks knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in paragraph 1 of the Complaint, and therefore denies them.
- 2. Best Buy lacks knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in paragraph 2 of the Complaint, and therefore denies them.
- 3. Best Buy lacks knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in paragraph 3 of the Complaint, and therefore denies them.
- 4. Best Buy lacks knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in paragraph 4 of the Complaint, and therefore denies them.

- Best Buy admits that Best Buy Co., Inc. has a place of business in Richfield,
   Minnesota.
- 6. Best Buy admits that Best Buy Stores, LP has a place of business in Richfield, Minnesota.
- 7. Best Buy admits that Bestbuy.com, LLC has a place of business in Richfield, Minnesota.
- 8. Best Buy lacks knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in paragraph 8 of the Complaint, and therefore denies them.
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#### **Jurisdiction and Venue**

- 39. Best Buy admits that Plaintiff avers that this is an action arising under the patent laws of the United States, title 35, United States Code. Best Buy admits that this Court has jurisdiction over the subject matter of this action. Each and every other allegation contained in paragraph 39 is denied to the extent that these allegations relate to Best Buy. Best Buy is without information or knowledge sufficient to admit or deny the remaining allegations contained in paragraph 39 of the Complaint with respect to any of the other Defendants in this action, and therefore denies such allegations.
- 40. Best Buy admits that Plaintiff avers venue is proper in this district pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1391(b), 1400(b). Each and every other allegation contained in paragraph 40 is denied to the extent that these allegations relate to Best Buy. Best Buy is without information or knowledge sufficient to admit or deny the remaining allegations contained in paragraph 40 of the Complaint with respect to any of the other Defendants in this action, and therefore denies such allegations.

#### Count I – Infringement of U.S. Patent No. 5,855,343

- 41. Best Buy admits that the United States Patent No. 5,855,343 ("the '343 Patent") is titled "Camera Clip." Best Buy admits that, on its face, the '343 Patent states that it was filed on March 7, 1997 and that it was issued on January 5, 1999. Each and every other allegation contained in paragraph 41 of the Complaint is denied.
- 42. Best Buy lacks knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in paragraph 42 of the Complaint and therefore denies them.

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- 147. Best Buy lacks knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in paragraph 147 of the Complaint and therefore denies them.
- 148. Best Buy admits that AdjustaCam is not entitled to pre-suit damages in this case. Best Buy denies each and every allegation contained in paragraph 148 of the Complaint to the extent that these allegations relate to Best Buy. Best Buy is without information or knowledge sufficient to admit or deny the remaining allegations contained in paragraph 148 of the Complaint with respect to any of the other Defendants in this action, and therefore denies such allegations.
- 149. Best Buy denies each and every allegation contained in paragraph 149 of the Complaint to the extent that these allegations relate to Best Buy. Best Buy is without information or knowledge sufficient to admit or deny the remaining allegations contained in paragraph 149 of the Complaint with respect to any of the other Defendants in this action, and therefore denies such allegations.

#### **Prayer for Relief**

To the extent a response is required to Plaintiff's prayer for relief, Best Buy admits that Plaintiff seeks various forms of relief in this action. Best Buy denies that Plaintiff is entitled to any relief in this action to the extent such relief relates to Best Buy. Best Buy lacks knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations that Plaintiff is entitled to relief with respect to any of the other Defendants in this action, and therefore denies such allegations.

Additionally, all allegations of the Complaint not expressly admitted herein are denied.

#### **Jury Demand**

Best Buy admits that Plaintiff requests a trial by jury, but denies that Plaintiff is entitled to any relief in this action, including, but not limited to, all relief that Plaintiff requests in its Prayer for Relief.

#### AFFIRMATIVE AND OTHER DEFENSES

Best Buy asserts the following affirmative and other defenses, and reserves the right to amend its Answer as additional information becomes available and additional defenses become apparent.

# First Defense (No Infringement)

150. Best Buy does not infringe and has not infringed, either directly, contributorily, or by inducement, any claim of the '343 Patent, either literally or under the doctrine of equivalents.

# **Second Defense** (Invalidity)

151. The claims of the '343 Patent are invalid for failure to comply with one or more provisions of the patent laws of the United States of America, Title 35, United States Code, including, but not limited to, 35 U.S.C. §§ 101, 102, 103, and/or 112.

# Third Defense (Limitation on Damages)

152. Plaintiff's recovery for alleged infringement of the '343 Patent, if any, is limited to alleged infringements committed no more than six years before the filing of the Complaint pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 286.

# Fourth Defense (Patent Marking and Notice)

153. Some or all of Plaintiff's claims are limited by failure to comply with the marking and notice requirements of 35 U.S.C. § 287.

# <u>Fifth Defense</u> (Waiver and/or Equitable Estoppel)

154. Plaintiff's claims are barred by the doctrines of waiver and equitable estoppel.

# Sixth Defense (Laches)

155. Plaintiff's claims are limited by the doctrine of laches.

### <u>Seventh Defense</u> (License, Implied License and/or Patent Exhaustion)

156. Plaintiff's infringement claims are barred by one or more of the doctrines of license, implied license and patent exhaustion.

### Eighth Defense (Unclean Hands)

157. The claims of the '343 Patent are unenforceable under the equitable doctrine of unclean hands.

### <u>Ninth Defense</u> (Prosecution History Estoppel)

158. Plaintiff's claims are barred under the doctrine of prosecution history estoppel.

### <u>Tenth Defense</u> (Government Sales)

159. Plaintiff's claims are limited under 28 U.S.C. § 1498.

# Eleventh Defense (Intervening Rights)

160. Plaintiff's claims are barred or limited under 35 U.S.C. §§ 252, 307(b).

# Twelfth Defense (Adequate Remedy at Law)

161. Although Best Buy denies that Plaintiff is entitled to any relief in this action, Plaintiff's request for an injunction or other equitable relief is barred because Plaintiff has an adequate remedy at law; therefore, no basis exists upon which to grant equitable relief.

### <u>Thirteenth Defense</u> (Other Applicable Defenses)

162. Best Buy expressly reserves the right to assert any other legal or equitable defenses to which it is shown to be entitled.

#### PRAYER FOR RELIEF ON PLAINTIFF'S COMPLAINT

WHEREFORE, Defendant Best Buy asks the Court to enter judgment granting the following relief:

- A) Denial of Plaintiff's request that Best Buy be found to have infringed the '343 Patent;
- B) Denial of Plaintiff's request that Best Buy be found to commit willful and objectively reckless infringement;
- C) Denial of Plaintiff's request for an injunction against Best Buy as to the '343 Patent;
  - D) Denial of Plaintiff's request for damages relating to the '343 Patent;
  - E) Denial of Plaintiff's request for enhanced damages;
- F) Denial of Plaintiff's request that the case be declared exceptional pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 285 as well as denial of Plaintiff's request for attorneys' fees;
  - G) Denial of Plaintiff's request for other and further relief;
- H) Dismissal of Plaintiff's claims with prejudice and that Plaintiff take nothing therefrom;
- I) Declaring this case is exceptional and awarding Best Buy reasonable attorneys' fees as provided by 35 U.S.C. § 285; and
  - J) An award to Best Buy of such other relief as the Court finds just and proper.

DATED: August 29, 2011 By: <u>/s/ Steven R. Daniels</u>

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

The undersigned hereby certifies that the foregoing document was filed electronically in compliance with Local Rule CV-5(a). As such, this notice was served on all counsel of record who have consented to electronic service as this district requires. Local Rule CV-5(a)(3)(A).

/s/ Steven R. Daniels	